

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
UTILITY DIVISION  
AGENDA NO. 99-7-12**

Date Prepared: July 8, 1999  
For Work Week Commencing: July 12, 1999  
Business Meeting: July 12, 1999, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://www.psc.state.mt.us>.

Place of Meetings All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. NRRI QOS Project – To further discuss the NRRI Service Quality Group project – (7/13/99)
2. D99.4.111 – Petition of Ronan Pursuant to Section 251 (f)(2) of the 96 Act – To act on; 1. motion for protective order from Ronan; 2. motion for reconsideration of the procedural order from Ronan; 3. motion to compel responses to data requests from Ronan. (7/13/99)
3. D99.6.146 – BridgeBand & USWC – To discuss and approve final order approving Interconnection Agreement (7/13/99)

Weekly Scheduling Meeting – Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. AT&T – Docket N99.6.162 (Dave)

On June 24, 1999, AT&T filed Tariff Transmittal 99-16, this list introduces AT&T Business Service IntraLATA Promotion which reimburses customers the \$5.00 carrier change charge assessed by a local exchange carrier when lines are converted to another primary exchange carrier.

This filing also introduces a new service, AT&T IntraLATA Overlay Plan. This Optional calling plan is compatible with a variety of other AT&T Calling Plans including AT&T Simplified Calling Plan, AT&T Green Sense Plans, AT&T Personal Network Plan, AT&T True Reach Plan as well as the basic toll schedule.

2. ALLNET COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC. Docket N99.6.161 (Leroy)

On June 23, 1999, Allnet Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Frontier Communications Services Inc. filed Tariff Transmittal No. 18 for approval of its proposed new service options PriorityPlan, a switched and dedicated, non-distance sensitive, usage based service option and EZ Plan II, a switched access, non-distance sensitive usage based service option.

3. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS INC. Docket N99.6.164 (Leroy)

On June 23, 1999, US WEST Communications Inc. filed tariff transmittal 99-41 proposing a price reduction for Centrex 21 service. Centrex 21 offers a package of services from a shared common block to customers with 3-50 lines at a location. Centrex 21 includes either a basic analog line or a digital line (2B+S).

**Notice Items** All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. CENTRAL MT COMMUNICATION, INC.- Docket N99.7.169 (Scott)

On July 2, 1999, Central Montana, Inc. filed tariff pages to modify how it charges subscribers for construction above a set allowance. Central Montana, Inc. proposes a \$3,000 construction allowance will be set for each new connected loop in conjunction with signing a service contract for the appropriate period based on construction footage. The subscriber will bear construction costs, excluding backbone plant, which exceed a \$3,000 per connected loop construction allowance.

2. U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS- Docket N99.7.170 (Scott)

On July 6, 1999, U S West filed Tariff Transmittal 99-42 to reduce rates for Call Forwarding Expanded products. The proposal is to reduce rates for the following expanded Call Forwarding products: Call Forward Busy Line (Expanded); Call Forwarding Don't Answer (Expanded); Call Forwarding Busy Line/Don't Answer (Expanded) for residence and business customers.

**Information Items** All items identified below are for information only.

**Tentative Action Items for Agenda 99-7-19**

**New Filings Received in Past Week**

D99.7.167 – Black Hills Power & Light – Fuel Rider

D99.7.168 – USWC – Application for reduction in rates re: HB 128

N99.7.169 – Central Mt Communications – Tariff /Construction-New Service

N99.7.170 – USWC – Tariff 99-42 Call Forward Expanded Price Reduction

D99.7.171 – Gordon-Prill-Drapes – Application for exception for master meter installation

D99.7.172 – 3 Rivers Telephone – Application for establishment of an EAS Region